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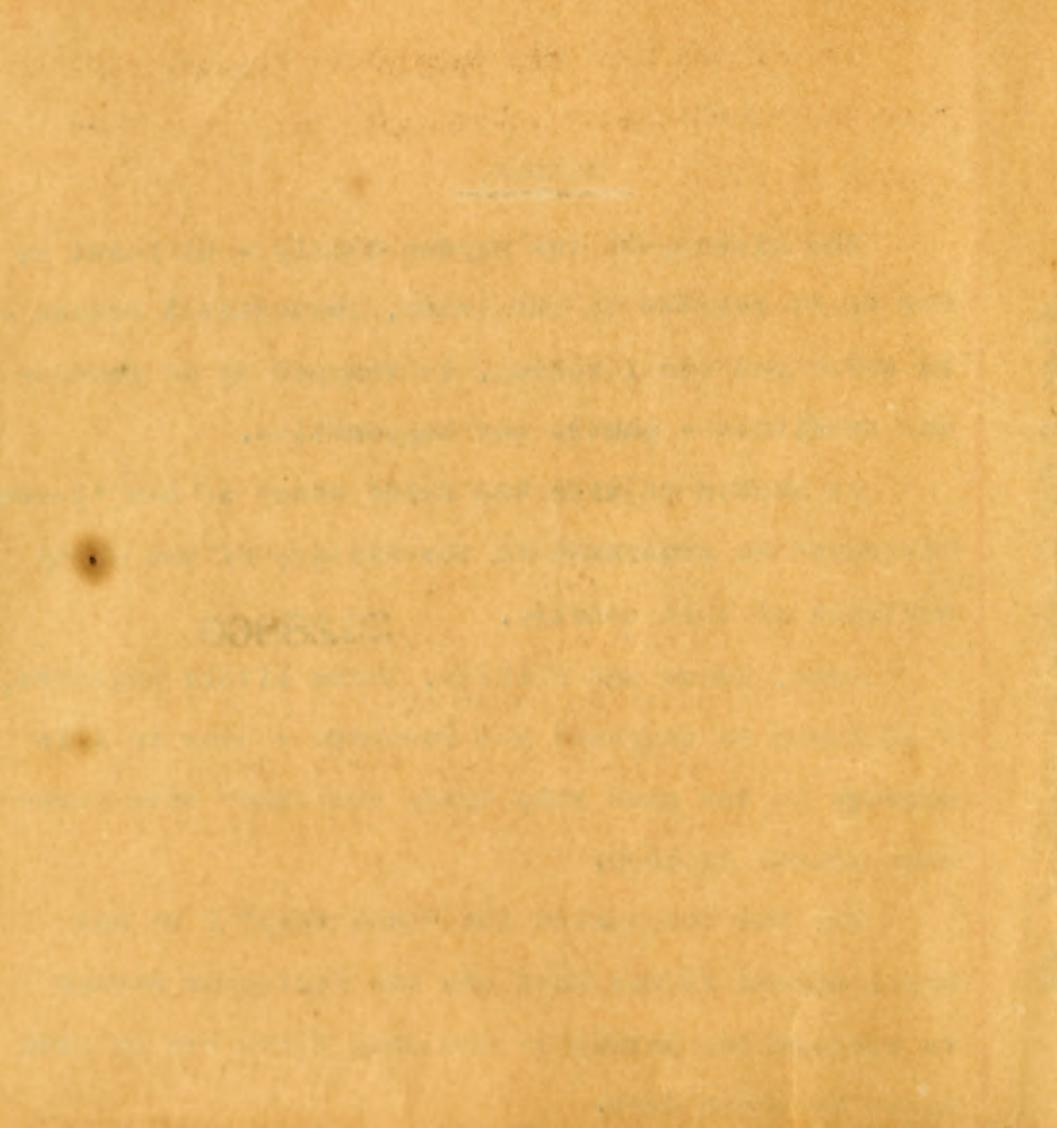
HAYDEN.

The history of the Hayden family - at least so far as it relates to the Essex, Connecticut branch - to which you and I belong, is wrapped up in romance and tradition - poetry and supposition.

It starts in with the fairy story of the "three brothers" so prominent in the history of the early settlers of this country. **2028860**

John, James and William, three little brothers, - at least so supposed and recorded - came to this country in the good ship "Mary and John" with Barkham's Church in 1630.

Why she was called the "good ship" I do not know, unless it was that she was fortunate enough to survive the perils of the deep which was no mean stunt in those days.



Now if she has been termed the "Speed-well" or even the "Good-speed" there would have been some reason to it.

And it is also worthy of note that when they did come they brought their church with them - they took no chances - others had preceded them - and

"Amidst the storm they sang,

And the stars heard and the sea:

And the sounding aisles of the dim
woods rang

To the anthem of the free."

"The ocean eagle soared

From his nest by the white waves neer,

And the rocking pines of the forest
roared

This was their welcome here."

Evidently the reception did not appeal to the Hayden brothers.

As stated above John, James and William are supposed to have been brothers - but so far as we have any reliable information, they might have been second cousins or even no relation at all and the statement that they came on the "Mary & John" is merely a supposition also, based upon the fact that they were at early date found associated with those that we know did come on that ship - Perhaps they were steerage passengers and did not get listed - this, however, we do know; - they were all recorded as "freemen" in Dorchester, Mass. in 1634 and, from the fact that they soon separated, it is evident that they considered Dorchester neither conducive to their health nor to their happiness:- for John is recorded as a "freeman" in Braintree, Mass. in 1640: James likewise in Charlestown, Mass. in 1637:-

and William turns up in the land of "Nutsedge" as a "freeman" at Windsor, Connecticut in 1640.

One would naturally suppose that some of the Windsor Haydens, sailing down the Connecticut river and seeing the "beauties" of Essex and the advantages of a location there might have settled in that place and have become the Ancestors of the Essex branch of the family, so called.

I am, however, inclined to think otherwise for the following reasons:-

In April, 1899 I received a letter from Sabez Haskell Hayden of Windsor, Conn. at that time 87 years of age, in which he states, that he has been unable to find any connection of the Windsor Haydens with those of Essex, although he had spent 60 years in tracing out the descendants of the Windsor branch. He published in 1888 a genealogy of the family, but

it was almost entirely confined to the descendants of William.

The descendants of James of Charlestown were quite numerous but they seemed to have flocked by themselves.

- Coat of Arms -

You are no doubt familiar with the "Cut-away", the "Prince Albert" and the "Tuxedo" and may not be posted as to a "Coat of Arms". The Heydon family had one - in fact lots of them - as the heraldic records of old England show. The one that appealed to me the most, was the one granted to John Heydon by Richard I, the Lion Hearted, so called. I am unable to describe it in heraldic language, but in plain English it was, "a spotted dog sitting on top of a side board fence gazing at a cat".

underneath is the motto,

- Virtus sola nobilitat -
" Virtue alone makes one noble "

whether this referred to the Heydon family - or was an encomium on the dog - or derogatory to the cat, I do not know. It is a matter of regret that no direct connection of the Haydens of America with those of old England has ever been found, although a great amount of both money and time has been spent in the endeavor.

John Hayden first appears in Lyme, Connecticut.

Land Records "Vol. 2, p. 270 in 1701" as purchaser of land from Henry Coland. (In those early days, Essex, Lyme and Saybrook were practically identical when speaking of location).

Now this John is the first Hayden that you and

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I can put our hand on and say kindly, affectionately
and without fear of contradiction:-

"John, you belong to us! You are one of us -
now where did you come from?"
Nothing whatever is recorded regarding his residence
prior to the purchase of land in Lyme, but from the
similarity of names in his family with those of the
Mayden family in Braintree, it would seem to be good
ground for the supposition - if not for the assumption
- that John of Lyme 1701 was a descendant of John of
Braintree 1640.

On May 10, 1703, John Mayden and Mary Mayden,
his wife conveys the land bought of Henry Roland to
Martha Blaque (Lyme Land Records, Vol. 2, page 131).

The children of John Mayden and Mary, his wife,
are recorded (Lyme Records, Vol. 2, page 201) and

were,

Abenezer b. October 8, 1698
Jedediah b. December 14, 1700
Nehemiah b. January 16, 1703

Administration on the estate of John Nayden deceased,
late of Saybrooke was granted January 7, 1723 to
Abenezer Nayden and Samuel Doty both of Saybrook
(Guilford Probate Records Vol. 1, page 163) -

granted at the request of Mary Nayden in a letter
dated December, 1723 stating that she is under great
indisposition of body by reason of lameness. Her
wife was supposed to be a Mary Griffin - why I don't
know.

It is a tradition in the family that John Nayden
was a bricklayer and was drowned while going from
Saybrooke to Essex with a scow loaded with bricks -
that John himself was loaded is a mere matter of
conjecture - there is this information however that

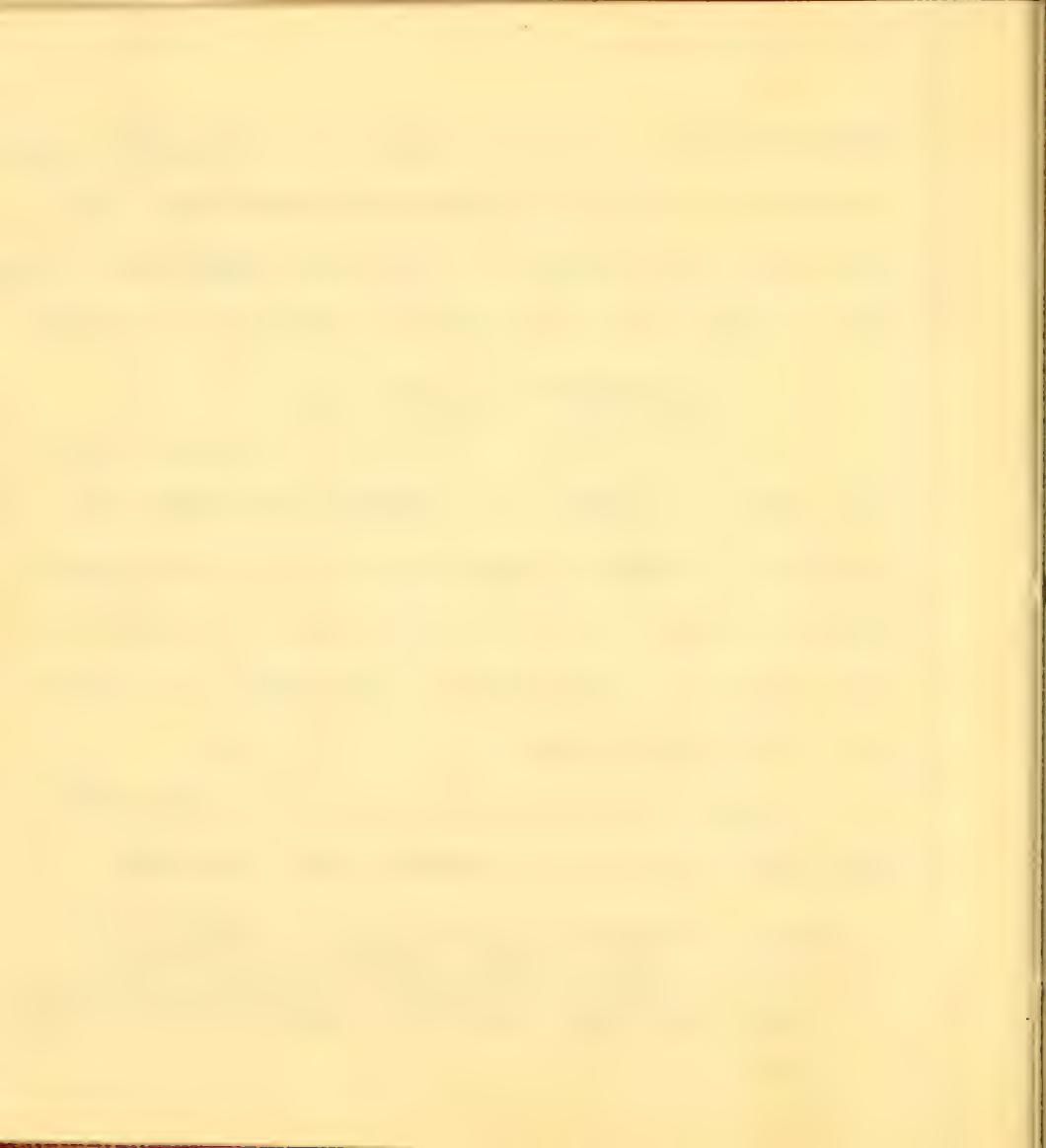
might lead to such an inference - Among the claims recorded as paid by the Administrators was "To cash paid Mr. Blaque for sundry victuals and drincks that the men had that went to search for father".

Victuals	1 s. 4 d.
Drinks	16 s. -
	Total 17 s. 4 d.

from which it might be inferred that they sent prepared to furnish John with what he would most desire in case they found him alive - but why so much money was squandered on victuals the record gives no explanation.

At any rate there seems to be no doubt but that John came to an untimely end: and that

"Not a sound was heard - not a funeral note
As his corse to the rampart was hurried;
Not a soldier discharged a farewell shot,
O'er the grave where our Ancestor was buried."



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"Lightly we'll talk of the spirit that's gone,
And o'er his cold ashes upbraid him -
But little he'll reck, if we let him sleep on,
In the grave where accident laid him."

In Guilford Probate records this letter is on file addressed to

Mr. John Hayden living at Teabrooke in
Kanatyot Colony in New England - dated

Mallcrekow September 2 the 1709.

My honnible father and mother I giving
my duty to you both, my love to my brother
and sisters, my respects to all my uncles,
cousens, and auncs, my loving onkie Ebenezer
Ingraham and ant Walker. These lines
are to let you know I am in Prison."

This goes to show that while our relative's
normal character and spelling was not too bad, his
affection for his kinpeople was up to the general

Rehemiah:-

son of John - b. January 16, 1703 is supposed to have married Temperance Pratt. He died July 2nd, 1774. Registration on his will went to Rich Mayden and Temperance Mayden.

Quilford Pro. records V. 12, p. 343, Aug. 2, 1774
is children were:-

Uriah b. Jan. 10th, 1732

John

Lies

Linkim

Nather

Ann married a Pratt

Temperance " Job Winslow

Now here it is where you and I must part -
genealogically speaking - you looking back on
Linkim as your noble ancestor and I on Uriah as
my G. G. grandfather.



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as it may perhaps be of interest to you to know how I came into the Heyden family, I will give you a short cut to my ancestor.

Uriah b. Jan. 10, 1732

married Ann Starkey December 2, 1754

Hechemiah, son of Uriah

b. December 4, 1755 died May 29, 1791

at the Island of Barbadoes. Why he should have gone off there to die, when they have such a nice quiet burial ground in New to lie in, I am unable to say. He married Sarah Sill - dear Sarah - I wish I knew who she was. I have never been able to trace her.

He had quite a number of children - in fact - a whole kit of them.

Horace, son of Hechemiah,

b. in 1786, married in 1818

Nancy Green of East Haddam, Conn.

He also had a flock of children - a dozen more or less.

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Nancy Green Mayden b. Oct. 23, 1820

married at East Haddam, Conn.

George Edward Goodspeed, son

of Joseph Goodspeed, a descendant of Peter Goodspeed
of Newgate 1640 and on January 14, 1745, your
humble servant appeared on the scene and was duly
named after his two grandfathers. —

Joseph Horace Goodspeed

Boston, May 18th, 1914.



AND now a few words in closing regarding:-

ELIAKIM

The first mention we have of Eliakim is in

II Chronicles Chap. 36 Verses 4-5.

"And the King of Egypt made Eliakim, his brother, King over Judah and Jerusalem, and turned his name to Jehoikim - he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem and he did that which was evil in the sight of the Lord."

From the above it will be seen that while he was no great shakes in the sight of the Lord - yet he had the ability to hold on to his job eleven years.

And again, I call your attention to the similarity of names with those of the Braintree Maydens -

II Kings, Chap. 23, Verse 34

"His father's name was Josiah and his other's name was Zebudah."

So I feel that we can look back with fond
feeling for our relatives of those early days -
no see, as it were, as the shades of evening fell
upon the plains of Zebulon - Josie and Web calling
Ali - and little Jane high pian to their side and
teaching to them,

"Now I lay me down to sleep."

And so endeth the First Lesson.

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R. HENRY W. DWIGHT,

67 FRANKLIN STREET,
BOSTON.

May 28th, 1914.

My Dear Joseph, of Many Colors!
Mostly white, and True Blue - No Yellow!

If I had your gift of putting things in a sweet and pleasant way, I would not sell my services for ten times what I am getting, and I would write many articles pertaining to The Dwight Collection, and I would have fun reading them before appreciative audiences.

Your little brochure on the Hayden family, in which you acknowledge relationship to your obedient servant, is a charming effort, and I am delighted to have it.

Why don't you telephone out next Sunday morning, say about nine o'clock, and ask me if I am going to be at home, and come out and see some of my old papers, and look at the Hayden lines, which include famous old Revolutionary boatbuilders, etc.

Very truly yours.

R. Henry W. Dwight

Joseph H. Goodspeed Esquire,
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CHESTNUT HILL

My dear Mr. Godspeed

The extremely interesting (if somewhat grisly!) history of the branch of the Hayden family with which you and I are intimately connected reached me safely last Friday and has given me very keen enjoyment.

Your kindness in looking up our relationship and having its record put in such convenient and attractive form is thoroughly appreciated by me; and I hope

of my grandfather John G. Haynes
and his wife Charlotte at
Lew, and was undoubtedly
named for your maternal grand-
mother, Lucy Green, which
would go to prove that my
grandfather had known that
lady as his aunt.

I seriously object to
the aspersions cast upon the
character of our common
ancestor John - the John
who laid bricks and had
the misfortune to figure
in the marine disaster
which ended his useful ca-
reer. Even though he did,
at one time, spite a little

which established his temporary residence, in his own language, as a "Pion" may we not consider, in the light of the "poetry and superstition" to say nothing of the "romance and tradition" encircling the family records, that our ancestor was using that poetic licence which should come so naturally from a person of his artistic achievements, and referred to some temporary boudoir of his free spirit?

It is delightful to come in closer touch with the earlier members of our

now knew more promptly ac-
knowledged but for the birthday
(and celebration later) of a
small but important person
in our family.

~~Indifference~~ to records
establishing important facts
regarding family matters, seems
almost to have been a custom
of the Payne family; for as
far as I know, no record
was kept of the date when my
paternal grandfather, Elizakim
Payne left Connecticut and
came to Long Island.

I regret deeply that I
did not get definite facts
from my father during
his lifetime; but he shared

a Connecticut woman or a Long Islander, but I may be able to ascertain this from my mother.

My grandfather, John Peter Faydee, married Catharine Allen of an old Long Island family and was born lived and died at Great Neck, R. I., as did also his son and my father, Nehemiah Faydee, and my aunt Nancy Peter Faydee, my father's older sister.

This Nancy Faydee born May 9, 1871, was the oldest daughter and second child

for the time and can you
kind give my share of
the family genealogy,
tell me

Very sincerely yours,
Frances May Dep Sears.

May 25, 1914.

P. S. - My husband read this
letter and criticised the adjective
in "frightened" saying your descrip-
tion was "humorous, not fright-
ened; but I prefer my frightened"
as depicting the light and
graphic touch with which you
transformed dry facts into a full-
recital!

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family, but in transcribing the events
of their lives let us ~~not~~ forget that
it is our duty to

"Be to their virtues ever kind
And to their faults, a little blind."

Some day I hope that you and Mrs.
Godspeed will come out to Chestnut
Hill and see the my few family pict-
ures (not portraits) which I possess,
notably that of your great-grandfather
Rehemiah.

With regards to Mrs.
Godspeed, and very many thanks

the indifference of certain members
of his family to such a degree that
he seldom touched upon the question
of ancestry, and considered the clerical
(I think) member of the Connecticut branch
of the Hayden family - probably your
friend Abijah Haskell Hayden of Hudson -
who frequently importuned him for
aid in investigating family records
and establishing connections, an
unmitigated nuisance.

I do not know him whether the
Rebecca Seeler whom my great-
grandfather Eliakim married was

